

What is claimed is:

1           1(currently amended). A holding device for a shower hose,  
 2 comprising:  
 3           a feed-through element,  
 4           a shower hose led through the feed-through element,  
 5           a retaining mechanism for securing the shower hose against movement  
 6 in one direction, ~~and with~~ a detachable coupling for coupling and decoupling  
 7 the shower hose with the retaining mechanism, wherein the retaining  
 8 mechanism ~~is configured to allow~~ allows the shower hose to be pulled out, ~~yet~~  
 9 and when coupled prevents the shower hose from being pulled back, and  
 10 when decoupled allows the shower hose to be pulled back, ~~and~~ wherein  
 11 the detachable coupling is actuated for said coupling and decoupling, ~~are~~  
 12 ~~actuated manually~~ by manipulation of the shower hose.

1           2(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
 2 wherein the retaining mechanism is disposed on the feed-through element.

1           3(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
 2 wherein the coupling can be actuated manually by action upon the feed-  
 3 through element.

4(canceled).

1           5(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
 2 wherein the coupling can be released by pulling on the shower hose and  
 3 engaged by renewed pulling.

1           6(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
 2 wherein the shower hose is secured at least partially by force closure.

1           7(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
2           wherein the shower hose is at least one of ribbed and coiled, and securement  
3           is realized at least partially by form closure.

1           8(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
2           wherein the retaining mechanism is configured such that the retaining  
3           mechanism secures the shower hose only in a certain rotary position and in  
4           another rotary position lets the shower hose through.

1           9(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
2           wherein the retaining mechanism has a sleeve, which, at one position at least,  
3           has an inwardly projecting oblique surface.

1           10(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 9,  
2           wherein, in the rest of a circumferential region apart from the inwardly  
3           projecting oblique surface, the sleeve has a configuration in which the internal  
4           diameter is not reduced.

1           11(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 9,  
2           wherein the sleeve comprises an outer sleeve and the retaining mechanism  
3           has a clamping sleeve, which is guided in the outer sleeve so as to be  
4           movable to a limited degree and, at one circumferential position at least, has  
5           an outwardly protruding projection.

1           12(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 11,  
2           wherein a circumferential extent of the projection is smaller than a  
3           circumferential extent of a portion of the outer sleeve that is free from the  
4           oblique surface.

1           13(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 11,  
2           wherein the projection is configured so as to be flexible in a radial direction.

1           14(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 13,  
2           wherein the projection, upon radial movement inward, enters into at least one  
3           of force and form closure with the shower hose (5) led through the clamping  
4           sleeve.

1           15(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 11,  
2           wherein the projection is configured on a molded-on tongue of the clamping  
3           sleeve.

1           16(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 11,  
2           wherein the projection is configured on a separate component.

1           17(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 1,  
2           wherein the clamping sleeve is configured such that, when the shower hose is  
3           moved, the clamping sleeve is carried along with the shower hose in a  
4           longitudinal direction.

1           18(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 11,  
2           comprising a connecting link guide between the outer sleeve and the clamping  
3           sleeve, which aligns at least one said projection of the clamping sleeve  
4           alternately with at least one said oblique surface and an interspace with the at  
5           least one said oblique surface.

1                   19(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 18,  
2                   wherein the connecting link guide has a connecting link on the outer sleeve  
3                   and at least one pin on the clamping sleeve.

1                   20(previously presented). The holding device as claimed in claim 18,  
2                   wherein the connecting link guide allows a full rotation of the clamping sleeve.